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1. The Spanish Armed Police service (Policia Armada), which is directly under the Direccion General de Seguridad, is entrusted with the following tasks:
 - a) Safeguarding of public order
 - b) Safeguarding of personal security
 - c) Safeguarding of property
 - d) Enforcing observance of the law
2. The chief of the Armed Police must be a colonel, with the title of Colonel-Inspector and resident in Madrid, but he himself is under the Director General de Seguridad.
3. Commands in the Armed Police are given to Army officers or officers of the Civil Guard.
4. Personnel of the Armed Police are subject to the Military Code of Justice only in their relations with their superiors or when in action as military units against rebels or armed forces.
5. Orders to the Armed Police emanate from the Director General de Seguridad, Civil Governors, High Commissioners of Madrid and Barcelona and the High Commissioner of Spanish Morocco.
6. The Armed Police undergo military training and special training in laws relating to public order.
7. Below is the numerical composition of the Armed Police force, as reported on 12 September 1946:

1	Inspector General
2	Colonels - Subinspectors
8	Lieutenant-Colonels
29	Majors
143	Captains
352	Lieutenants and 2nd Lieutenants
114	"Brigadas"
754	Sergeants
2,082	Corporals
200	Policemen (1st Class)
15,974	Policemen (2nd Class)

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